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Baby,
Puku Okuyama Presents
コウコのママに！
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POLARIS COMICS

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Note: "Baby, Kokoro no Mama ni" literally means something like "Baby, Follow Your Heart," but since her name is Kokoro (Heart) and she calls Shizuru "Mama," it can also be read as a pun meaning more like "Baby, Be Kokoro's Mama."

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Chapter 1
start!

SHUT UP.
No way! My boy friend's poor!
You should ask for one, too!
annoyed
fume
I WISH MY BOYFRIEND HAD A JOB.
YOU'RE SO LUCKY!
It's soooo cute!
squee
SEE WHAT HE BOUGHT ME?
FOR REALS!? HE MUST BE LOADED!
THAT'S SO NOT FAIR!
SHAKY
"Shut up, you stupid bitches!" is what he's thinking, but he considers himself much to refined to ever say so out loud
Roji Shizuru (19)

Whoosh
Ugh... this is what I get for going outside on my free day...
The internet is so much kinder to me
Maybe I should go home...
Ahh... I hate this! I wanna hole up inside.
But...
Today
I've never spoken with her yet
is the day I'm going to tell my college classmate Nana-san how I feel...!
First love
I hate women but Nana-san is an angel!
Or at least give her my email...
Or at least make sure she knows my name
Hehehe hehe
That's why I've been waiting for 2 hours in this park she (supposedly) goes to...
Hehehehehe...
AHH, HOW SHOULD I REFER TO HER!?
OH NO, IT'S A LITTLE TOO SOON FOR THAT!
Mama...

Ch 1

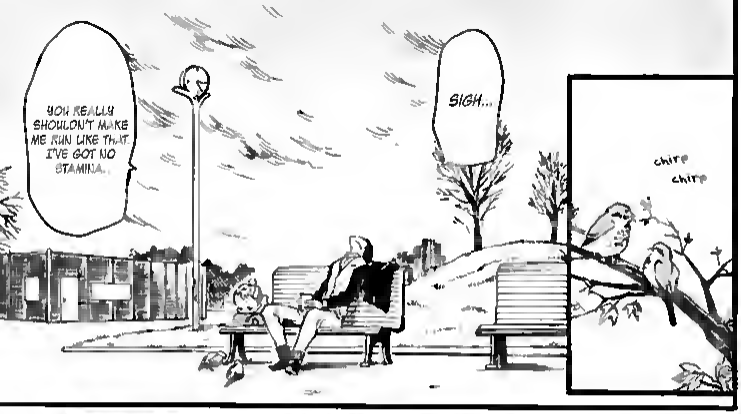
My Heart and My Phone Are Made of Glass

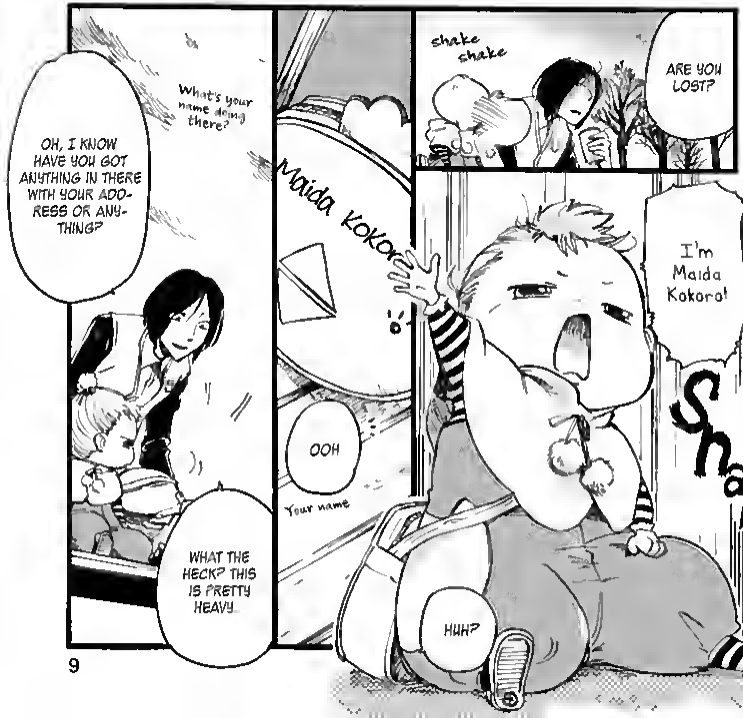
Mama
Wha!? At least call me Papa!
ANYWAY, WHAT ARE YOU ACCUSING ME OFF I'M SO PURE I CAN'T EVEN MAKE EYE CONTACT WITH REAL LIVE GIRLS!
climb climb
Mommy!
WHAT? YOU JUST CHANGED IT A LITTLE!
Argh!
HOW CAN YOU CRAWL ALL OVER SOMBONE AS CHRONICALLY STARVED FOR TOUCH AS I AM...!?
WHAT IF I FALL FOR YOU...
OH
*flip
ぶにっ

Wooooah!!
Ooh!
Ooh!
WHAT A MACHO CRY...
Sigh...
THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU TO GET OFF...
ACK!
Damn it, quit being so irrational
Hey sorry ok?
Woh!
Woh!
Why's everyone looking at me like that?
Did I do something?
HUH...?

I should have just gone home... Maybe I can distract her and get away
WHOA! LOOK!
IS.. IS THAT... A UFO!?
weh—
eeh
.....
sniff
sniff
Huh ?
.....
Baked sweet potatoes!
Baked sweet potatoes!
GLANCE
GLANCE
So you like to eat, eh?

RIGHT! NOW BEFORE ANYTHING ELSE HAPPENS...
Stranger in baby
Farewell
grab
AH, WHAT DO I CARE!?
Shee! Shee!
WAH!! DO I LOOK LIKE A SWEET POTATO TO YOU!?
I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR BABYSITTING!
Finally got rid of her
Whew
pant
うおおお
*Ahhh!
Ahhhh
Ahhhh
WHAT KIND OF BLACK MAGIC IS THIS ?
ha
ha
Mama~
Or do I just have no sense of direction?


YOU REALLY SHOULDN'T MAKE ME RUN LIKE THAT I'VE GOT NO STAMINA...
SIGH...
chirp chirp


What's your name doing there?
OH, I KNOW HAVE YOU GOT ANYTHING IN THERE WITH YOUR ADDRESS OR ANYTHING?
WHAT THE HECK? THIS IS PRETTY HEAVY...
Maida Kokoro
OOH
Your name
shake shake
ARE YOU LOST?
I'm Maida Kokoro!
Snap
HUH?

ROCKS
まいぼこ
Your face'll get stuck like that
HEY, DON'T COPY ME
HUH?
FLEX
FLEX
Is this some sort of weight training or something?

...YOU LIKE THEM?
ROCKS?
PUT 'EM IN HERE. LOOK
pl
op
DON'T BE SILLY
YOU'RE ADD -ING EVEN MORE!?
HERE
HERE
HERE
HERE
fu
fu
fu
fu
fu
fu
fu
plop
plop
plop
plop
ぷりっ
ヤーダ!

Slip
crash!!
!!
stare.....
YIKES
!!!

high!
high!
AHAHA! K-KOKORO -CHAN!
MAMA'S HERE! HIGH! HIGH!
Mama.
PU!
TOSS
TOSS
TOSS
TOSS
GRAB
Jungle
Jungle
Jungle
SLUMP
MAIDA... YOU NEARLY GOT ME ARRESTED...
SIGH...
More! More!
NO WAY, MY ARMS WILL SNAP
MY HEARTS ALREADY SHATTERED

I HATE YOU!
YOU'RE THE EXACT OPPOSITE OF NANA-SAN
BUT YOU'RE A GIRL, TOO, RIGHT? I'M WORRIED FOR YOUR FUTURE
pinch
pinch
OR MAYBE

Why you
You've already got the timing down

twist
Oh man I'm so embarrassed!
You wanna see? Do you?
twist

Hey don't be so greedy!!
I bet you can't even read!!

I EVEN WROTE A POEM ABOUT HER EVEN THOUGH THAT'S NOT USUALLY MY THING
It's not posted publically
flash
flash
WHAT DO YOU THINK? I'M PRETTY PROUD OF IT

It's just that Nana-san is too cute!
love
love

I'M GONNA WAIT HERE FOR NANA-SAN IN CASE SHE COMES BY
OKAY? SO YOU GO OVER THERE AND PLAY ON THE SWINGS
.....
Mama, too.
tug tug
I'LL JOIN YOU LATER
Here you go!
wheee!
ha ha ha ha
Uh-huh.

Commun
-ication
works
tot
tot
Commun
-ication
really
works!
turn
tot
tot
tot
Isn't it
wonderful
when we can
communicate!?

I'm finally free from that demon...
Come to think of it... I should have just fobbed her off on that policeman!
Now where might my angel pass by...
Wah!
NA...!
NANA-SA

What are an angel and a demon doing together!?
I've had enough trials! I'm not that strong!
I'll just come back another day. My heart's already in pieces
It's already shattered beyond repair
Peck

Huh?
pat
pat
Huh?
Title My Angel Name
Type Poem
Embarrassing poem
?
Is that...
my cell phone!?
W...
WAIT!
AH!

Mama.
H-HEY! I'M JUST A PASSER-BY
I'm an idiot. I just didn't want Maida to see my face...
Anyway, I've just gotta get my phone back...
!!!
OH?
Huh...?
ANO-EGA
IS THAT RODI-KUN? WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

Oh right
THIS IS MY COUSIN, MAIDA KOKORO-CHAN
WE CAME HERE TO PLAY BUT WE GOT SEPARATED
Not listening
Ta-dal
Oh...it's like a dream
WH-WHAT DID YOU SAY?
?
NO, BEFORE THAT
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
ROJI-KUN?
Ahaha!
mama?
...She knows my name...!
CAN YOU BELIEVE IT? KOKORO-CHAN HAS A CELL PHONE
I WONDER IF IT'S HER DAD'S
IT'S NOT A DREAM!!
na-na-na-na!

GRAB
NANA-SAN!
HUH?
THIS ISN'T SOMETHING NEWBIES CAN HANDLE SO LET ME TAKE CARE OF IT WHILE YOU GO PLAY WITH KOKORO-CHAN!
HUH?
HUH?
munch
YOU CAN'T HAVE THIS! IT'S DANGEROUS!
IT-IT'S GOING TO EXPLODE!
wah!
Not again!

LET'S PUT IT AWAY IN YOUR PURSE
YOU SHOULDN'T PLAY WITH PAPA'S CELL PHONE
Y-YOU'RE RIGHT
PURSE!!?
It's filled with rocks...
*SHOVE
*SHOVE
There we go!
Huh? It won't fit
Crack
RUSTLE
SHALL WE HEAD HOME, KOKORO-CHAN?
IT'S GETTING WINDY—
Nana-san... how could you...?

EEK!
KOKORO-CHAN, ARE YOU OK ?
Dawn you
Give me my phone back

GOT IT!
Wa ha ha
ha ha ha ha
Watch out!!
He protected her
...ROJI-KUN...
WOH!!
THAT'S NOT—!
ROJI-KUN, HOW COULD YOU TAKE A CHILD'S PURSE?
tug

AT LEAST LET ME GET RID OF THE EVIDENCE...
GET RID... OF THE EVIDENCE?
10MIN
LATER

I'M SORRY, ROJI-KUN I DIDN'T KNOW THIS WAS YOUR PHONE
GOOD GRIEF
YOU SHOULDN'T GO SAYING THINGS LIKE THAT. IT'S A PUBLIC NUISANCE
YEAH...
See you later!
Well I've gotta get home.
AND I GOT MY PHONE BACK SAFE AND SOUND...
SIGH
MY FIRST LOVE... IS OVER
And she did say see you later"
hehehe
...BUT I WAS ABLE TO SAY HER NAME QUITE NATURALLY,
so maybe it was a success
thunk
IT'S NOT SAFE AND SOUND AT ALL!
Damn it!!

Today was so strange

Can a plus and a minus

Equal a minus?

Muah!
IT'S FINALLY BACK FROM THE REPAIR SHOP...!
Sparkle
1
Ch. 2
The Tumbling Rice Ball!
IT'S LIKE A LOVERS' REUNION
sparkle
sparkle
SO YOU'VE DECIDED TO DATE YOUR PHONE, EH?
Send for you!
SHUT UP, MASAKI...
GAME
Tachibana Masaki (19)
Shizuru's childhood friend
Loves video games
(Way too) handsome

LISTEN
LAST SUNDAY AFTERNOON I MAY HAVE SACRIFICED MY PHONE AND HAD TO DEAL WITH A LITTLE DEMON INCARNATE, BUT NANA-SAN AND I FINALLY CALLED EACH OTHER BY NAME...
OH, THAT GIRL YOU'RE ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT
2
WANT ME TO ACT AS A GO-BETWEEN?
YOU BAST-ARD
I'M JUST ALWAYS POLITE TO A LADY, THAT'S ALL
HOW MANY TIMES HAVE I BEEN REDUCED TO TEARS BY YOUR MASK OF KINDNESS?
This is my friend I hope you'll get along.
FIDGET
dot-
Jr. School
fidget fidget
How about we all go to the amusement park together?
High school
IF A GIRL'S CUTE, I'LL TELL HER SHE'S CUTE
WHAAAT?
WHAT ABOUT BEING POLITE TO ME?

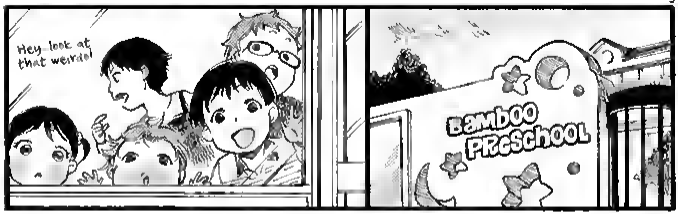
point
Even though you're nothing but a worthless gamer
ANYWAY! THERE'S NO WAY I CAN BEAT YOU IN THE LOOKS DEPARTMENT, SO STAY AWAY FROM NANA-SAN!!
AND YOU'VE ACTUALLY GOT A GOOD PERSONALITY, TOO, WHICH IS WHY I HATE YOU!
I LIKE THAT ABOUT YOU, SHIZURU—
Just so you know I've never gone after a girl you liked

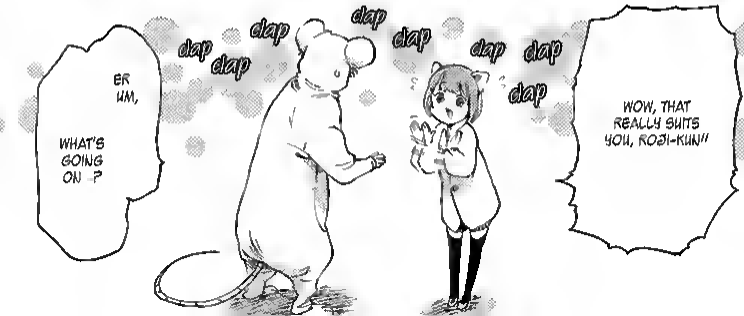
gasp
Stop it! Seriously!!
Yeah, yeah
BUT ALL THIS TALK HAS MADE ME CURIOUS ABOUT HER

cover
cover
?
Nana-san...!

*grab
WHAT, WHAT?
No oooo oo!
ROJI -KUN
Y- YES?
WOULD YOU GO WITH ME?
I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK
UM

Wha-huh!?
mmph
Glad-ly!!
*bruuuup


Hey, look at that weirdo!
BAMBOO PRESCHOOL


clap clap clap clap clap clap clap clap clap
ER UM, WHAT'S GOING ON?
WOW, THAT REALLY SUITS YOU, KOJI-KUN!!

I KNOW IT'S SHORT NOTICE, SO THANKS FOR FILLING IN FOR SOMEONE WHO'S OUT WITH A COLD
MY CLUB IS PUTTING ON A PUPPET SHOW HERE TODAY
It's a puppetry club!
A puppet show!?
What's a costume got to do with a puppet show?
YOU CAN READ THE SCRIPT AS YOU GO
Yeah we all wear costumes
WE'LL PICK UP THE SLACK
NO WAY I CAN'T!
IS IT TOO MUCH TO ASK?

Not go-able!!
Thank you for the cat ears!
Yay! Yay!
Oh crap
REALLY!? WHAT A RELIEF!
Yay! Yay!
OH GUESS WHAT?
THIS PRE-SCHOOL
IS THE ONE KOKORO-CHAN GOES TO.
MAKE SURE YOU SAY HI TO HER AFTER.
RUMBLE
EEP!
Maida...!?
Come on, let's practice!
drag drag
I have a bad feeling about this...

clap
clap clap
clap
Matsu U Puppet Show Club
The Tumbling Rice Ball
pull
pull
N...
N.....
"WHOOPS!"
SAID THE OLD MAN AS HIS RICE BALL TUMBLED AWAY
YIKES...!
hide
KIDS! SO MANY!!
JUST STARING!

shudder
shudder
shake
shake
Do I have to talk in front of this huge crowd...?
since middle school homeroom...!!
clatter
5- stand
I haven't done that
MY HEART'S JUST TRYING TO BEAT ITS WAY OUT OF MY CHEST, SO I'VE GOTTA SHOVE IT BACK IN..
Don't worry!!
BUT WE'RE ALREADY STARTING!
ROJI-KUN?
stealthy
I'VE JUST GOTTA USE THE REST-ROOM...
No way
There's no way I can do this!

SHOOSH
BOING
Ma...
Maida!!?

R- ROBI-KUN, YOUR HAND
WHERE'D SHE COME FROM HAND?
Clatter
Eeeeeek!
11
Gasp!
Drool
THE HOLE WAS FULL OF MICE
THEY WERE SO SURPRISED BY THE OLD MAN FALLING IN THAT THEY SWARMED OUT TO SEE HIM
She ad -libbed it!
Oh.. what a surprise! "Palsetto"
Nana-san's so good at this...
Welcome, Grandpa!
Thank you for the delicious rice ball.

You wecome!
BOW
I wasn't talking to you!
WHOOPS!
DROP
...
It fell
Here!
OH - THANKS
I don't need it anymore though

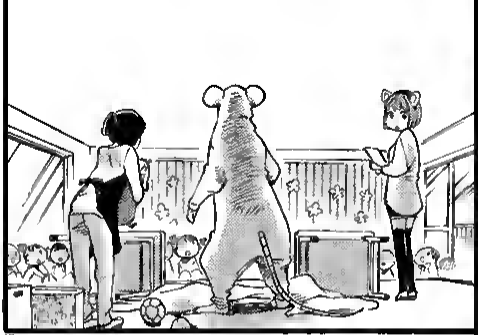
No... I can't worry about that now.
Wah!! She's getting all worked up.
You welcome!
You welcome!
wave
wave
You welcome!
stomp
stomp
You welcome!
Um...
NEXT UP IS THE SCENE WHERE I THANK THE OLD MAN...
OK, ROJI-KUN, GET THE DANGO READY
take
OH, RIGHT
Staze
excited
excited
SHE'S WATCHING ME...

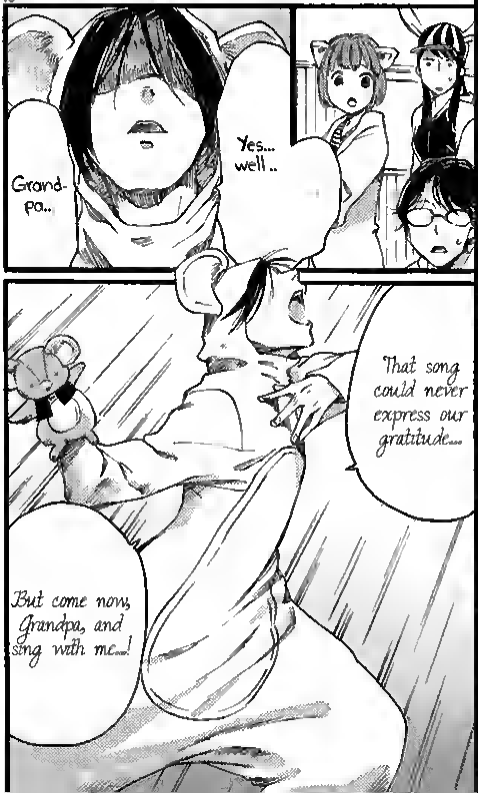
"As a sign of our gratitude,
...please eat this."
this
You wecome!
You wecome!
You!
IS THIS!?
WHAT KIND OF A THANK YOU GIFT

Hey!
You're
"HEAR YOUR HAPPY SONG ONCE MORE"
ignoring everything
in the way..
annoy
annoy
Glance
"W- WELL, IF YOU WANT TO THANK ME..."
"I- I'D RATHER..."
Glance
..!

HUH?
tug
tug
tug
tug
tug
HUH?
Snap
KOKORO-CHAN, LET'S GO BACK
Mm
Grab
HUH?

crash
sway
wah!
THUD

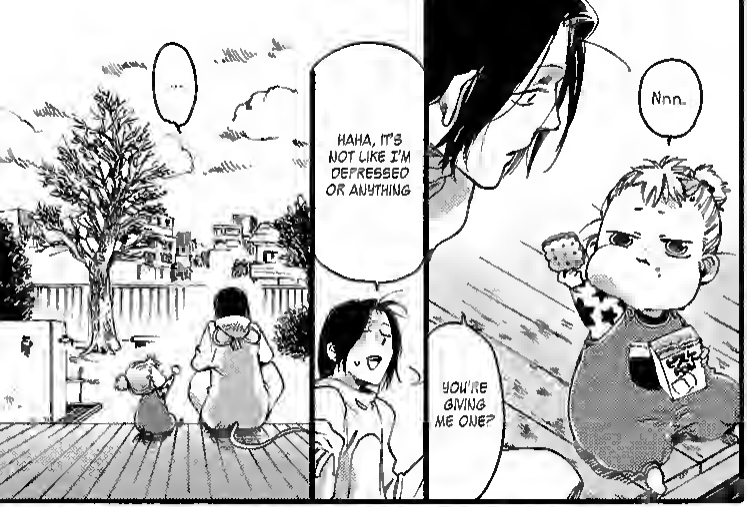


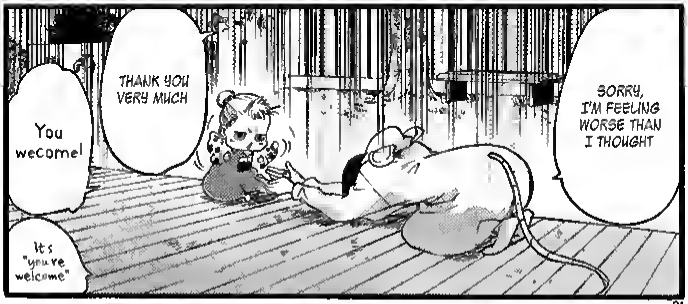


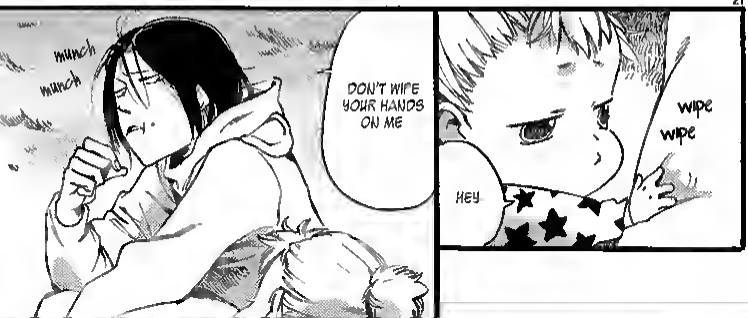
THE BOSS, MOUSE!!

The tumbling rice ball!
Lyrics
Tumble, tumble rice ball
It tumbled right into a hole
Tumble tumble rice ball
Now everybody dance!
Yay!
Yay!

NANA-SAN MUST HATE ME.
shake shake
shiver
shiver
shiver
shiver
Jump
Gasp
WAIT A MINUTE!
I should never have offered to do this.
Munch
Munch
20
Shoo!
Shoo!
WHY'RE YOU FOLLOWING ME?
Mama!
Mama!
I'm not your Mama

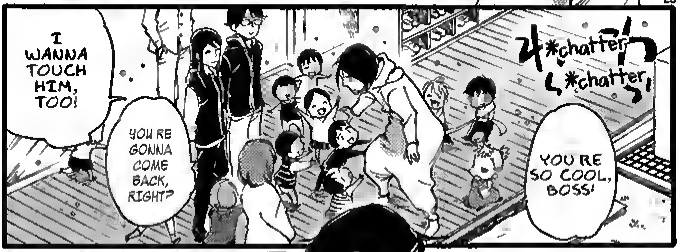

...
HAHA, IT'S NOT LIKE I'M DEPRESSED OR ANYTHING
Nnn.
YOU'RE GIVING ME ONE?


THANK YOU VERY MUCH
You wecome!
It's "you're welcome"
SORRY, I'M FEELING WORSE THAN I THOUGHT


munch munch
DON'T WIPE YOUR HANDS ON ME
wipe wipe
HEY

OH
THESE ARE REALLY GOOD
OH!
THERE YOU ARE!

Awww!
BOSS!
THERE YOU ARE!
What?
She doesn't hate me...?
THAT WAS AWESOME, ROJI-KUN!
HUH!?


I WANNA TOUCH HIM, TOO!
YOU'RE GONNA COME BACK, RIGHT?
chatter
chatter
YOU'RE SO COOL, BOSS!

You...
You mean...
squeeze
THE PRINCIPAL ASKED YOU TO COME AGAIN!
HUH?
GUESS WHAT!

THERE'S A NEXT TIME!!?
clap clap
Yay!

CREAK
HELLO!
HUH? SHIZURU?
WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?

I think you have the wrong person!
Squeeze
That's you, onii-chan, Shizuru!

HUH? SHIZURU?
WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?
M-M-M-Masaki !?
What are you doing here !?

If Nana-san sees Masaki... she'll fall prey to his playboy pheromones
See ya!
I can't let her see him...! My future is at stake!
2
NO OUTSIDERS ALLOWED ON THE PREMISES!
push push
Huh?
I'VE JUST COME FOR MY SISTER.
SISTER ?
MAA-CHAN!
I TOLD YOU, I CAN WALK HOME BY MYSELF!
KARIN.
Oh, it's Masaki. ♥
Sqeee Sqeee
YOU MAKE THE TEACHERS GET HEARTS IN THEIR EYES!
THAT'S NOT TRUE!

gulp
I'M MORE INTERESTED IN WHAT YOU'VE GOT GOING ON THERE
Who's that kid?
Twins in elementary
High school
DIDN'T YOU KNOW I HAD A LITTLE SISTER?
Lemme down
I've got it actually
I ONLY KNEW ABOUT THE OLDER ONE AND THE TWINS
ANYWAY,
Haha!
peek
I...I'M JUST HELPING OUT...
This is my best buddy
ROJI-KUN
IS THIS A FRIEND OF YOURS?
SHOCK

I knew Shizuru would never do this on his own
OH, ARE YOU NANA-CHAN !?
It's all over
I'VE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT YOU FROM SHIZURU
HE'S RIGHT, YOU ARE CUTE!
!!
That was close
?
Oh, uh, it's nothing
HE REALLY LIKES
WAAAH !!
jump
4
Nana-chan what are you studying?
Chan !?
GNAW
GNAW
GNAW
GNAW
Grr! I can't let my guard down He's already chatting with her

TODDLE TODDLE
PUSH
Here we go! Maida on the scene!!
Go on ya little nuisance!
WAVE
WAVE
Now get in there and say play with me!
WAVE
ビスケ PON!
Here!
Hey!
HUH? OH, THANKS
That's it!
glance
glance
tug tug
ビスケ PON!

FAILURE
Good girl
You wecome!
flip
flip
Wecome!
TODDLE
ビスケ
HMM, WHAT'S THIS, BOSS...?
DO YOU like HER?
STAB

Yay
Yay
HEY, LET'S PLAY JUMP ROPE!
AND TAG!
Wh-what are you talking about!?
D-DON'T BE SILLY!
BOSS!
What about jumping?
Ahaha
I'm a pro at turning the rope Give it here
Well
Boss can you jumprope? I can do it!
7
roll
roll
THIS IS BORING, RIGHT, KOKORO-CHAN?
THEY'RE SUCH BABIES

Wow Shizuru put on a puppet show?
I can't believe he's wearing that costume... Never thought I'd see that...
Who pulled my tail just now!?
You suck Boss!
Play boy Mode
HEY, NANA-CHAN,
WOULD YOU LIKE TO...
GET YOUR HANDS OFF ...
LOOOOSE
AAARGH!
NOT SO
MASAKI!!!
!!

SMACK
HERCK!
Nana!
OH, OOPS
I'VE GOT TO TIDY UP AND GO HOME
Hahaha
Boss what're you doing!?
Are you OK!?
9
KOKORO-CHAN'S STAYING AT MY HOUSE TODAY.
WAIT JUST A MINUTE, KOKORO-CHAN
YOU AND I ARE GOING TO...
HUH?
I've gotta go
You've gotta play some more
No!

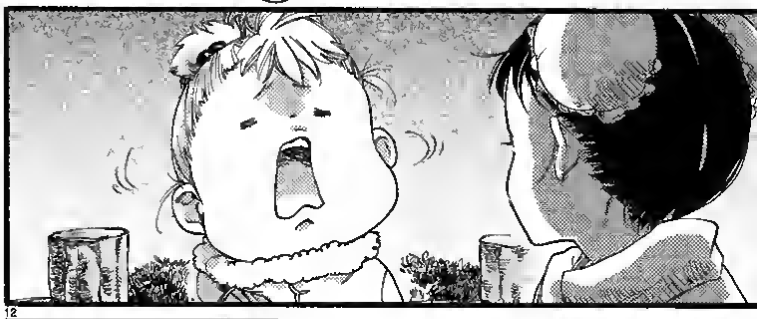
KOKORO-CHAN?
JUMP ROPE IS SUCH A CHILDISH GAME
IT'S NOT VERY LADY-LIKE!
LET'S GET A CARAMEL MAKIMAKI FROM STARDUST※ INSTEAD
I'VE GOT A LOT OF DOLLS AT HOME
LET'S PLAY WITH THEM WHEN WE GET HOME
They used to belong to my sister
Don't worry! I remember the way
Just leave it to me Kokoro-chan!

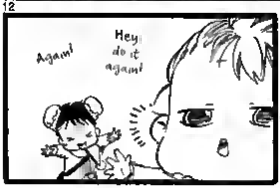
※ Caramel macchiato from Starbucks

Look how pretty!
Put them in here to take home
Oh, kitty!
Come back!
I wonder what's in this hole
Oh, there's another one!
It's frozen
CRACK
smash

caw
caw
HEY, KOKORO-CHAN, HAVE YOU BEEN HERE BEFORE?
I don't know where we are
HEY

STARE

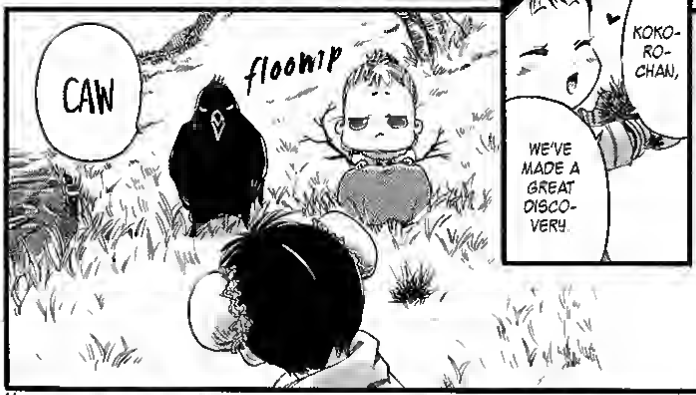



Again!
Hey, do it again!

Haha haha!
Ahaha haha!
What's with that face?
Bwaha haha!
Oh

A CHEST-NUT!!
Oh
PLOP
13
LOOK, THERE'S MORE!
flail
Mph
flail
Mph
WAIT! DON'T TOUCH THEM
THEY'RE ALL SPINY
Ski gloves
Tada!

Note: Kuri kinton is candied chestnuts with sweet potato



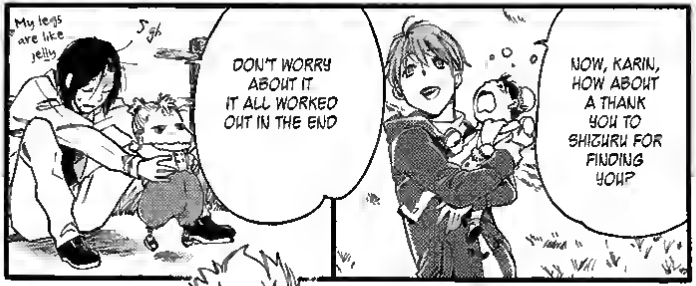
stare
I've gotta do something!!
Eeeeek! Th-that crows gonna eat Kokoro-chan!
15
GO AWAY!!
THROW...
GO
grab
floop

Plunk
OWWWW!
Why does this always happen to me!?
DAMN IT!
BOSS!
COME ON!
WE'RE LEAV-ING!

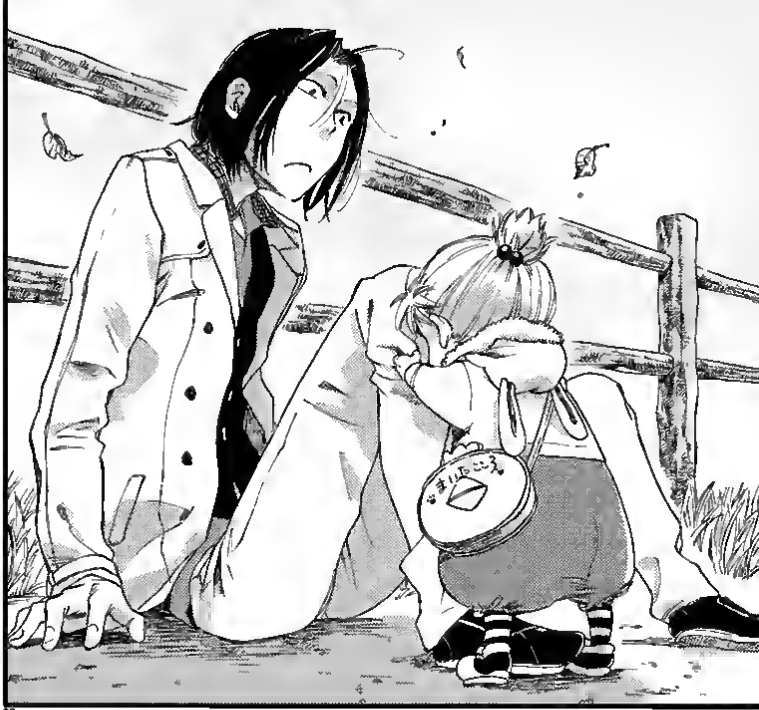
CAWWWW
WHOA!
WHAT THE HELL!?
GLEAM
WAH!
CAW
HUH!?
DON'T MOVE!
CAWWWW
TCH!
HEY!
OW!
peck
trip
WAH!
D-DON'T LEAVE ME ALONE!

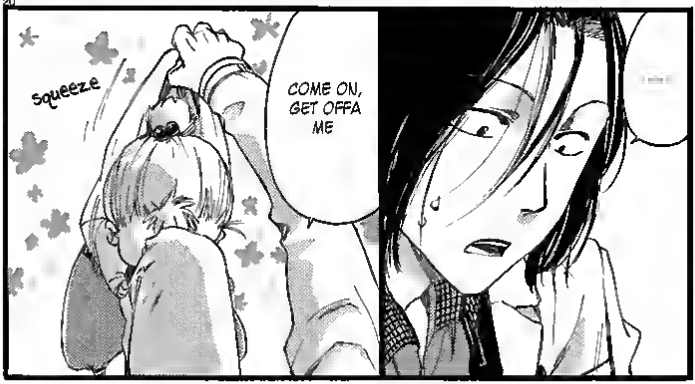
JUMP
OOH
Dash
flutter
Boss ?
SORRY I'M LATE

Don't leave me behind...
Pant Pant
MASAKI... DAMN IT, YOU'RE TOO FAST FOR ME
WAAAAAH! MAAAA-CHAAAAN!
There there
OOH


My legs are like jelly
Sigh
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT IT ALL WORKED OUT IN THE END
NOW, KARIN, HOW ABOUT A THANK YOU TO SHIZURU FOR FINDING YOU?

Hug

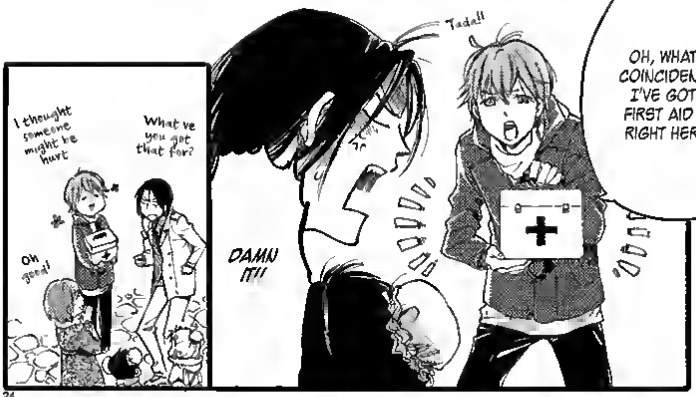


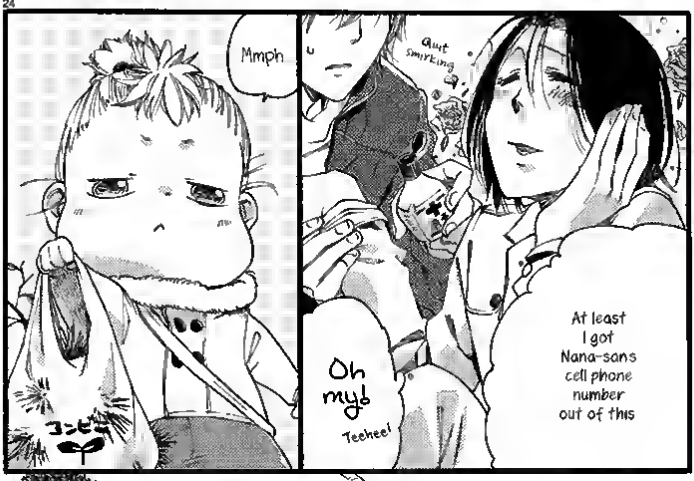

squeeze
COME ON, GET OFFA ME

stAnd
HUH?
There you go
I BET KOKORO-CHAN WAS SCARED, TOO
drag
drag
IT... IT'S ALL RIGHT
IT'S ALL RIGHT NOW.
OK?

Oh, thank goodness! Kotoro-chan!
Hug
How about a hug for me too?
ROJI-KUN, WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR HAND!?
HUH? OH...

baDUMP
YOU'RE BLEEDING.
WE'VE GOT TO GET YOU BACK AND TAKE CARE OF THIS!
Back to your house!?
I'M SORRY, BOSS.
ITS ALL MY FAULT LET ME TAKE CARE OF IT..
HUH?
Not another word
out of yuuuu
23
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT! YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO ANYTHING, JUST LEAVE THIS TO NANA-SAN! GOT IT? GOT IT?
LISTEN! I DID THIS! TO MYSELF! PLAYING CATCH WITH A CHESTNUT!
Nod Nod!


I thought someone might be hurt
What've you got that for?
Oh good!
DAMN IT!!
Tada!!
OH, WHAT A COINCIDENCE! I'VE GOT A FIRST AID KIT RIGHT HERE!!


Mmph
Quit smirking
At least I got Nana-sans cell phone number out of this
Oh my!
Teehee!

I want a piece too
I thought I'd make a chestnut cake
Wow she can cook, too
Yippee!

Exchanging emails failed to trigger an event
badump badump
Unable to press send
Ha!
Ha!
Poke Poke Poke
Oh right It only responds to fingertips

Yeah
There's no
one else quite
as satisfying
to tease
Manchan,
is Biss your
friend?
He's kinda
weird
Hmm

Nana-san's & My Sweet Memories (First Meeting)
6 MONTHS AGO
I THOUGHT COLLEGE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE ABOUT MEETING NEW PEOPLE!! THIS IS RIDICULOUS!
AHAHAHAHA
AHAHAHAHA
NOT THAT I WAS EXPECTING ANYTHING ANYWAY!
Ch. 4
Namahage Cooking
GUESS TODAY IS JUST ANOTHER BORING ENTRY IN MY DIARY...
flip
Whoosh
rustle
OH!
HEY!
ACK!!
Not towards the cute girl...!!
D-DON'T READ IT!
WAAAH!

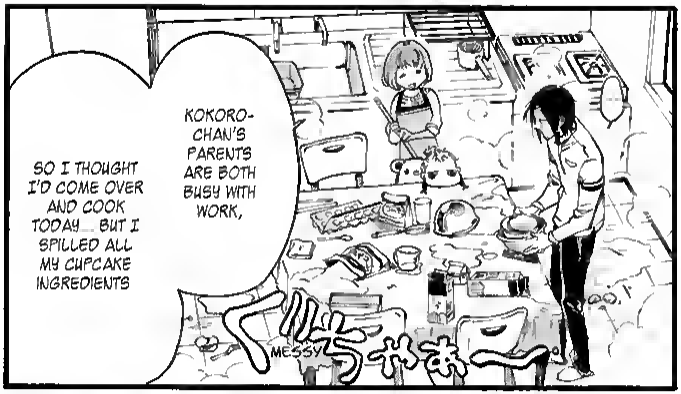
Squinch
DON'T WORRY, I CAN'T READ IT, SEE?
Aaaa aaa aaah
Slump
TH-THANKS
Bladump
I'm over here
Uh...
Here you go!
THRUST
I got so caught up in reminiscing I lost track of time
Hehehe
I wasn't able to properly thank her at the time.
Nana-san ever since that day...
but now we've exchanged email addresses and everything so it wouldn't be weird to ask her out right?
NEXT STOP, KAEDE! KAEDE!

GRUMBLE
GRUMBLE
Sending me all the way to Kaede to buy bread
BREAD'S BREAD, AS LONG AS IT'S EDIBLE
I CAN'T BELIEVE MY SISTER, THOUGH
rumble
Bus top
3
GASP
I MAY NOT HAVE FRIENDS OR A GIRLFRIEND, BUT I'VE STILL GOT STUFF TO DO
I JUST WANT TO RELAX AT HOME WHEN I DON'T HAVE CLASS, BUT THIS ALWAYS HAPPENS...!
No way! I can't believe it! This is perfect!
Just you watch!
Yahoo!
The New Me
Errands...? Sorry I've got a date
WAIT, WOULDN'T ASKING NANA-SAN OUT ON A DATE SOLVE THIS PROBLEM!!?

whoa
fwoof
Cough
Cough
clonk
clonk
CRASH
Waaaah
GLANCE
WHAT?

HUH?
Smirk
MAIDA
SORRY, ROJI-KUN THANKS FOR HELPING OUT.

UH, NANA-SAN JUST WHAT HAPPENED HERE...?

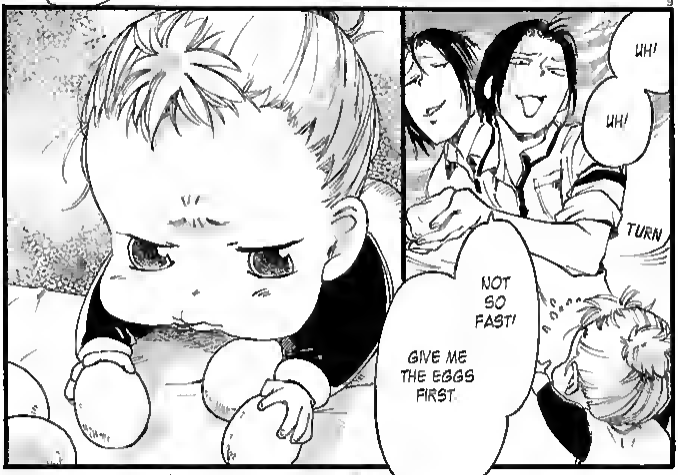

KOKORO-CHAN'S PARENTS ARE BOTH BUSY WITH WORK,
SO I THOUGHT I'D COME OVER AND COOK TODAY... BUT I SPILLED ALL MY CUPCAKE INGREDIENTS
くしゃあ～
MESSY

Oh are these these chestnuts she found?
Whoa... I can't believe I just walked past the Maidas house without realizing it...
Am I cursed?
But since I ran into Nana-san I don't want to leave just yet...
WIPE WIPE
badump badump
WOULD YOU
LIKE TO STAY?

GLINT
R-r-right!! Now to impress her...
and then ask her out!!
You just watch Kokoro...
Happy
... SURE ...!
I... I'd love to!!
CRACK
HEH! IT'S NOTHING
WOW! ROJI-KUN, THAT'S AMAZING!!
My sister makes me do it all the time..!
Go me!! I can do this!!
Now I'm one of those popular guys who can cook
EMPTY
HUH?
NOW TO PUT THE REST OF THE EGGS IN THE FRIDGE

YIKES
FRANTIC
Grr! This is my chance to show off... don't ruin it for me...!
HEY... THOSE ARE A LOT MORE DELICATE THAN YOUR ROCKS!
Tee hee
GIVE 'EM BACK! YOU'LL BREAK THEM!
HEHE... MAIDA, IF YOU HAND OVER THE EGGS,
I'LL GIVE YOU SOMETHING EVEN BETTER...
The flour that spilled everywhere

Tada
STICKY STICKY
THUMP THUMP
Namahage!
It's a bunny rabbit!
How on earth does she know the word Namahage?
◎ MADE WITH WATER AND FLOUR
NOW WHAT'S THIS?
SEE, LOOK? THANKS TO THE POWER OF GLUTEN-SAMA, IT'S ALL STICKY!



Note: Namahage are a type of ogre that feature heavily in the folklore of Oga Peninsula in Akita Prefecture

All safe
THERE WE GO
GOOD GIRL
I'm so happy!!
Oooh she's so cute
RIGHT! TIME TO GET TO WORK!
Whoosh
THERE!
I'll help!!
With Maida out of the way I can relax with Nana-san...

PUFF
PUFF
Atchoo!
WHA
?
NA!?
11
Fwo
omp
OH
CLANK
WHIP
WHIP
Splash
Splish
!!

Ooh...
Ooooh...
WAH...! D-DON'T CRY!
Oohee!
Oohee hee hee hee!
She's laughing!?

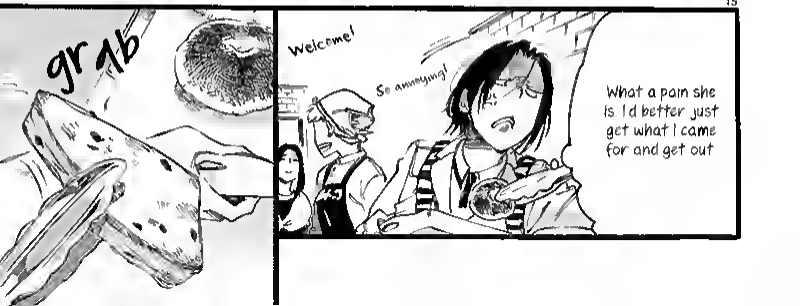
NANA-SAN...
OH NO, I'M SORRY, KOKORO-CHAN!

I'LL GO BUY MORE INGRE-DIENTS!
YOU JUST GET HER CLEANED UP!!
ギャーん
AAARGH

Friendly Bread Made With Natural Yeast
KOMEKKO
OH ISN'T THIS...
KOMEKKO
Nana-san's more destructive than I imagined
WHEW THAT WAS CLOSE...
HMM...
WAKUWAKU SHOPPIN
TRAFFIC SAFETY WEE
THE BAKERY MY SISTER WANTED ME TO GO TO?
WHOA, I'M A GENIUS
I totally forgot
13
ding-a-ling
Hum Hum
I'll just buy what I need and head back.
After all Nana-san's waiting for me!
Eight?! Can you believe it!?
Before they finish their bath...

L-let me wash your back
...Bath!!?
WAAA AAH!!
badump
WELCOME!
14
THUMP THUMP
I'VE GOT FRESH APPLE PIES!
WANT ONE?
UH... SURE
I, I, I, I, I
CHEESE 450

This your first time? Have a sample
Feel free to ask for anything
Sh-she's huge...
!!
SMACK
Ahaha!
Cough
WH-WHAT WAS THAT FOR!?
YOU HAD FLOUR ON YOUR BACK!

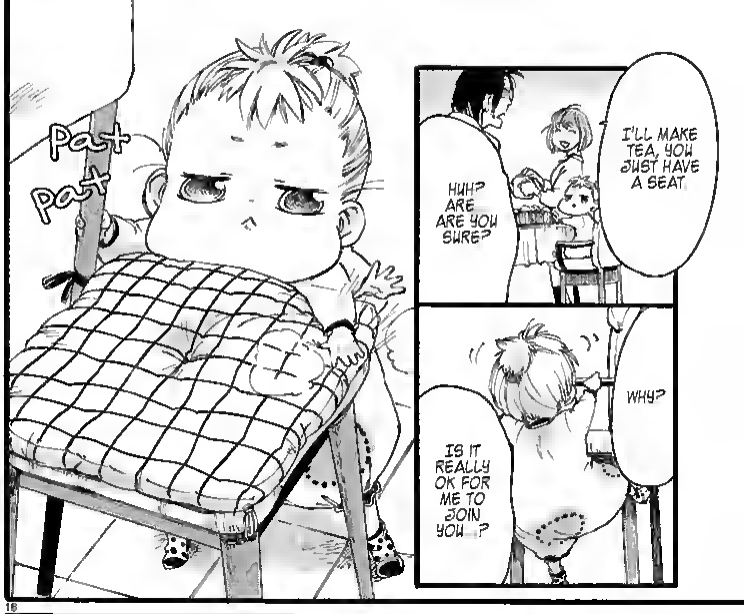

grab
Welcome!
So annoying!
What a pain she is. I'd better just get what I came for and get out

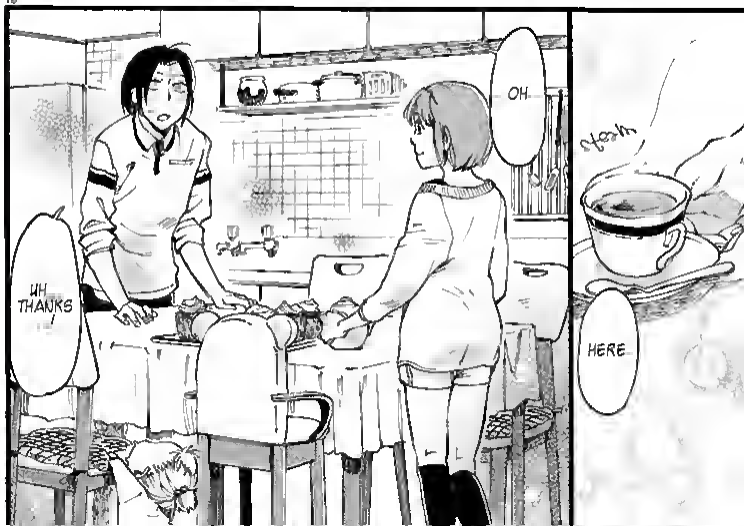
HEY!
NO THANK YOU!
It's on the house
You've gotta get your strength up!
HERE, TAKE THIS
AND THIS
YOU'RE STICK THIN, YOU SHOULD EAT MORE!
Thrust
Thrust
wag
!?

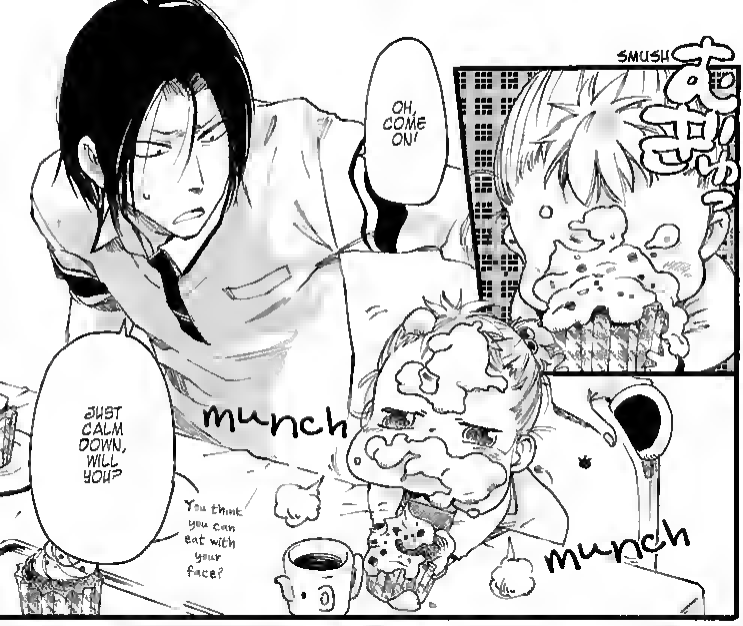
I feel like I've been through the wringer...
I'M EXHAUSTED
Stuffed
コメント
Come again!

I'LL FILL MY SCHEDULE FULL OF DATES WITH NANA-SAN!
delicious pregnancy
I'M NEVER COMING HERE AGAIN!

WELCOME BACK!
THANK YOU, ROJI-KUN!
Mama!
Mama!
This. this is it!
gasp
Wow
So handy
EZ Pancake Mix
She's like a new bride! We're like newlyweds...!!
Kei-san made it
WOW!
THEY LOOK SO YUMMY!


Pat pat
I'LL MAKE TEA, YOU JUST HAVE A SEAT.
HUH? ARE ARE YOU SURE?
WHY?
IS IT REALLY OK FOR ME TO JOIN YOU...?


OH.
Plop
UH THANKS
HERE.


SMUSH
OH, COME ON!
JUST CALM DOWN, WILL YOU?
munch
You think you can eat with your face?
munch

The mood may be a little lacking but I never thought this day would ever come...
Oh what bliss...

Right!! I could ask her now!
UM...
"W-w-w-will you! Go out...!"
YOU'VE GOT WHIPPED CREAM ON YOUR FACE, TOO
CLATTER

WHOOSH
WAA AAA AAA AH!
Are you OK?
HUH? WHAT'S WRONG?
N-NOTHING.
rattle
Y-YOU JUST STARTLED ME.

HUH?
The baker...?
HM?
22
Welcome home
AUNTIE
THANKS FOR WATCHING KOKORO, NANA-CHAN
Huh?
Mama
Mama!
Mama!
Is this Maida's mom!?
Who's this?
Mama?
Mama!

I DON'T LOOK LIKE HER!!
(WHISPER)
ARGH
Kokoro! I missed you!
...!
23
Why am I Mama anyway?
BURP
I don't get it
Mm
MM?
Thanks to Roy-kun
You didn't break the even did you?
They're good (surprisingly)
Did you two make these?
Oh yeah?
SO HE'S A FRIEND FROM SCHOOL
HE WAS AT THE BAKERY EARLIER
The mood's totally ruined

Hey! Hey, hey!
Ow!
Come on!! Show me what you got!!
Cupcake wrapper
TRASH GOES IN THE TRASHCAN!
WOW
HE AND KOKORO-CHAN ARE GOOD FRIENDS
MOM
She's really taken with him...
You can have mine Kokoro-chan
You just threw it away and now you want it back?
HMM...
HE REALLY HELPED ME OUT AT THE PRESCHOOL, TOO
ROJI-KUN IS FRIENDS WITH EVERYONE...
Again

I've gotta ask her out
It's OK I can do it!
I can probably do it!
I'll definitely do it!
OH, NO, THANK YOU
Sorry to keep you so late
THANKS SO MUCH FOR TODAY
gulp
UH, UM...
HUH?

It's so cold
UM
IF YOU DON'T MIND
Ugh it feels like my guts are trying to escape through my mouth...
WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET TOGETHER AGAIN?
W-WITH ME!

HUH?
N-NO!
Roji-kun sure does like kids
Here's my cellphone number
Kokeru likes you
OH! THAT WOULD BE A HUGE HELP, ROJI!

AT LEAST HE HAS SOME WEEKEND PLANS NOW
I said no thank you!!
How about next weekend...
No thank you!
Ahahaha! I'll stay up all night of course I'm broke

Ooh what a cutie!
Squish
Puff
YEAST RISING

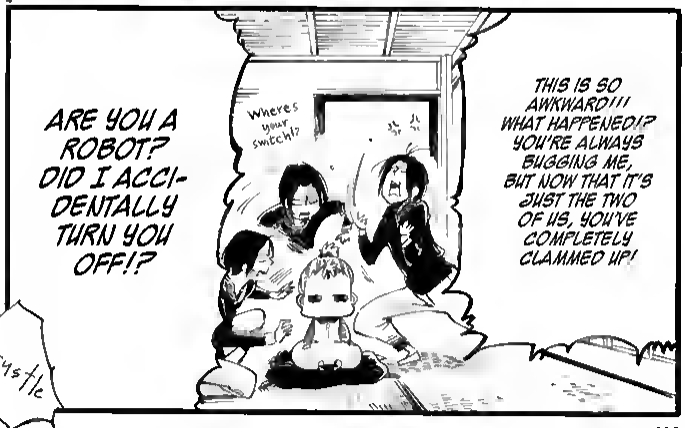
I'll be sure to send you again next time too
NO WAY !!
SIS
Wow such great service

HUH...?
PLEASE!!
I'M BEG-GING YOU!
HUH...? YOU DIDN'T MENTION IT'D BE JUST THE TWO OF US
I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND ANYONE TO HELP OUT AT THE SHOP, SO I'VE GOT TO GET BACK RIGHT AWAY.
Sorry!
HEY!
THANKS AGAIN, KIDDO!
She's in your hands!
WAIT
HERE'S A LITTLE SOMETHING FOR YOU TO SNACK ON
SEE YA!
HEY!

Chirp
Chirp
Ch. 5
Maida's Switch
How did this happen?

CLATTER
I came as fast as I could when Maida's mom asked if Nana-san and I could babysit...
She tricked me I want to go home
But I don't know how long I'll last with this kid giving me the silent treatment...
...S-SAY, THIS SURE IS A BEAUTIFUL ROOM, ISN'T IT...?

...Argh!!
TH-THANKS FOR THE DELICIOUS CAKE THE OTHER DAY
TH-THE STOCK MARKET
THE WEATHER


ARE YOU A ROBOT? DID I ACCI-DENTALLY TURN YOU OFF!?
Where's your switch!?
THIS IS SO AWKWARD!!! WHAT HAPPENED!? YOU'RE ALWAYS BUGGING ME, BUT NOW THAT IT'S JUST THE TWO OF US, YOU'VE COMPLETELY CLAMMED UP!
rustle

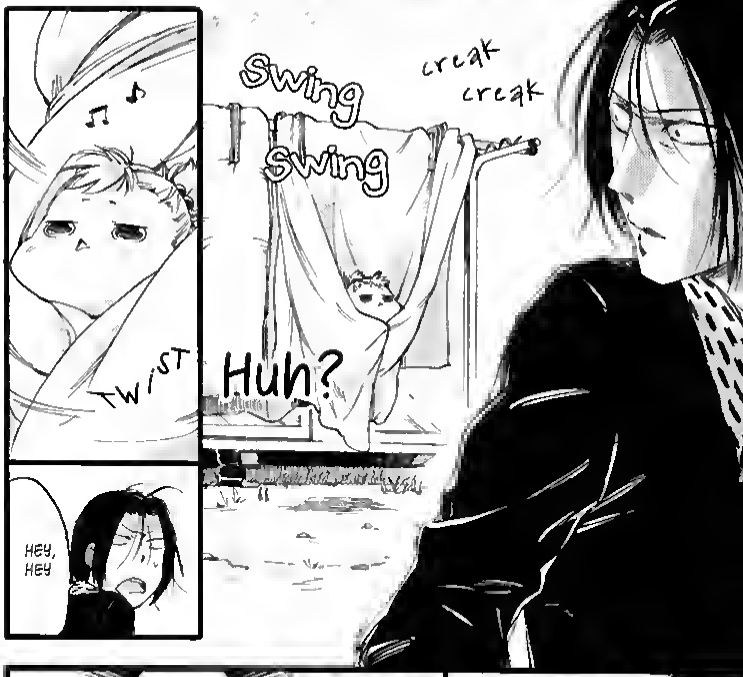
Meow
!?
WHAAAA? A... A STRAY CAT...?
Is this OK? Is this OK Maida-san?
HUH? HE'S JUST WALTZING IN LIKE HE OWNS THE PLACE
Is he a friend of yours?
OH, HEY!
THE SNACKS!
Snack
THOSE ARE MY SNACKS!!
twitch
G-GIVE THAT BACK!
DRAG
tippid
SHOO!
MY SNACKS!
twitch

Rrrrrrr
4444444!!
Startled
mew
WHEW!
WOW, NOT BAD, MAIDA
Glad your switch finally turned on
WAS THIS OPEN ALL THIS TIME? JEEZ, STAY OUT, OK?

OUTSIDE? NO WAY, IT'S COLD
Magic
HEY
I thought we were on the same wave-length!!
AAAAAA!!
I don't want to run errand
Want to play red light green light or something?

RED LIGHT!
GREEN LIGHT!
OK Here I go
OK, ONE MORE TIME
GREEN LIGHT...
EXPLAIN-ING THE RULES
WHAT IS RED LIGHT? GREEN LIGHT?
IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO PLAY, JUST SAY SO
No wonder I felt so warm

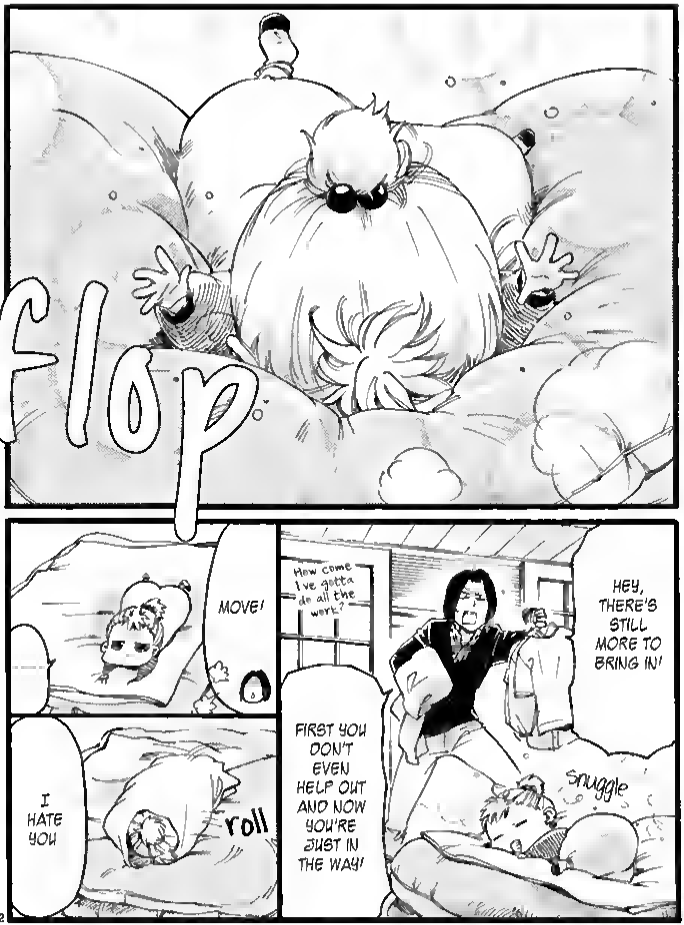
UNEXPECTED
RED LIGHT!
!?
creak
HEY, MAIDA!
MAIDA ?
COME OUT!


♫ ♪
TWIST
Swing
Swing
creak
creak
Huh?
HEY, HEY

slip
y-you'll fall...
creak
IF YOU KEEP THAT UP...
Oh...

flump
piiiiS
STUB
WHEW!
SAFE!

HELP ME TAKE THIS DOWN, KOKORO-CHAN.
IT'S GET-TING WINDY.
IT'S TOO DAN-GEROUS OUTSIDE
SEE?


flop
MOVE!
How come I've gotta do all the work?
HEY, THERE'S STILL MORE TO BRING IN!
snuggle
I HATE YOU
roll
FIRST YOU DON'T EVEN HELP OUT AND NOW YOU'RE JUST IN THE WAY!

Z
Z
Z
What were you just tired?
I DIDN'T REALLY MEAN IT...
WH...
WARM
WARM
WHEW!
Well... napping makes things easier for me anyway
She looks pretty happy...
Mumble
Mumble
It's making me sleepy too

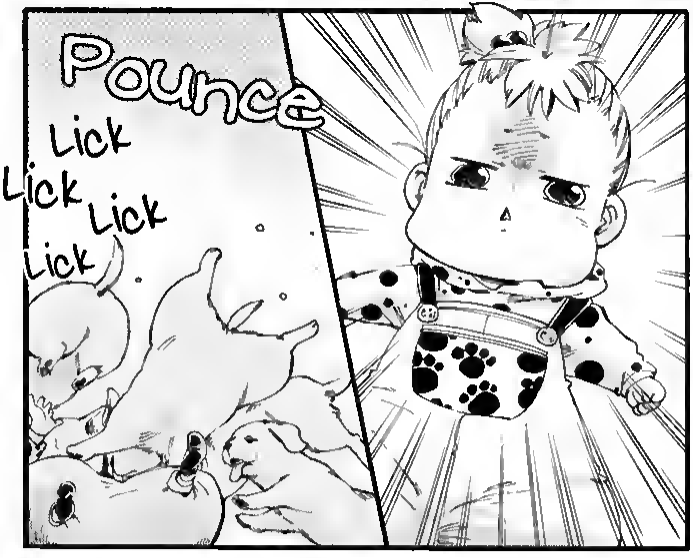
So nice ond worm...
shine
shine
Whoo... It's so bright...
warm
warm
roll
WHOA THERE
grab
YOU ALWAYS DISAPPEAR THE MOMENT I TAKE MY EYES OFF YOU
Sigh
HEH!

Mmm
is it the sun that's warm...
or this thing...?
Mmm
sleepy
What time is it?
ZZZ
!!?

Nana-san and me in the same futon—
It was so comfy I just drifted off—
Whew what a great nap!

Well I do get where you're coming from
Creak Creak
Young Roy
Dusty curtain

Woof
Ch. 6
The Day I Became a Dog


Pounce
Lick
Lick
Lick
Lick

TACHIBANA
NO NO NO NO OO OO !!
GO HOME !
THESE ARE MINE!!
I'M GONNA RAISE THEM MYSELF!
Lick
Lick
Lick
I WON'T LET ANYONE HAVE THEM!
WOW!
There's a ton of them
Woof
Woof
Woof

SORRY FOR THE COMMOTION... KARIN'S BEEN LIKE THIS EVER SINCE WE FOUND HOMES FOR THE PUPPIES.
Yikes
I SAID GO HOME!
Woof
Woof
IT'S OK
YOU'RE SUCH A GOOD BRO-THER
I THOUGHT HAVING KOKORO-CHAN OVER WOULD BE A NICE DISTRACTION, BUT...
Hey you! Sis!
Karin-chan can I pet the puppy?
No!
DAMN YOU, MASAKI, USING THIS MESS TO GET COMPLIMENTS FROM NANA-SAN—
OF COURSE SHE IS
Whisper
Whisper
Whisper
fluffy
YOU'RE SO NICE

3 DAYS AGO
badump badump
NANA-SAN UM, UM!
Th-the dog puppies...
I HAD PUPPIES!!
You what!?
HUH!?
DOG! DOG! DOG! DOG! DOG!
HUH!?
WAAAAH! THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT!
BY THE WAY, NICE JOB INVITING NANA-CHAN, SHIZURU!
HUH? OH, YEAH, WELL...
Heeeee
I bet something happened there
Well I misspoke but still

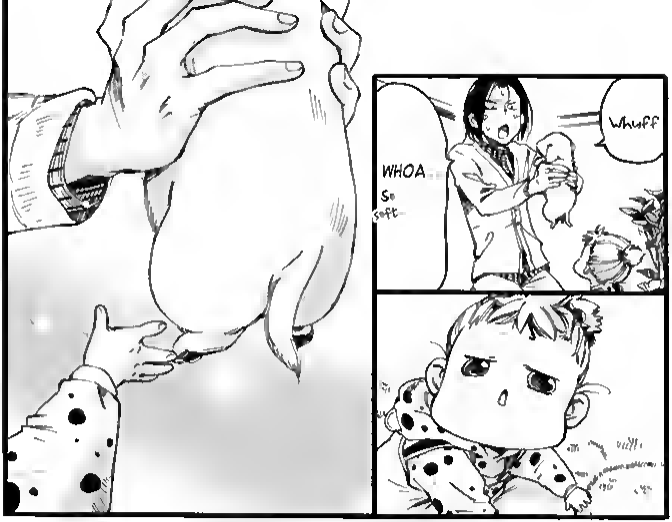
WAH!
Lick Lick Lick Lick Lick
She's such an angel for coming even after I botched the invite like that...
HEEEEEEY, YOU GUYS!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
Startled
Ehehe
THANKS
I've never really touched a dog before...
Lick Lick
Happy
That took me by surprise
Yes! She said "thanks"!

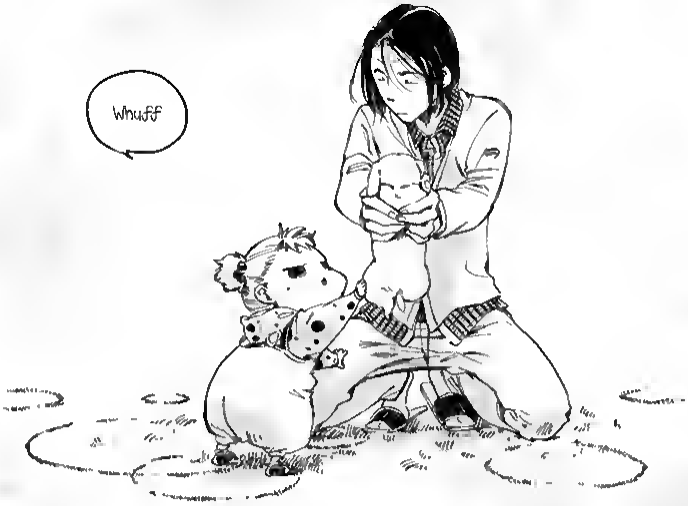
BUT IF EVEN MAIDA'S OK WITH IT...
Freeze
squeak!
Hey! No rough-housing!
Roll
scared
...!!
drip
drip
Whuff
Ahahaha
smack
smack

Whuff
Whuff
tot
tot

Lick
Sniff
Sniff
Whuff
OH

OH YEAH, HE'S A BIT OF A RUNT, SO WE'RE KIND OF WORRIED ABOUT HIM.
HE'S REALLY TAKEN TO KOKORO-CHAN!
So cute!
HE SEEMS PRETTY QUIET.
Did I startle you?
DON'T BE SCARED, KOKORO-CHAN
Startle
HE WANTS TO PLAY!
Soft
scared
WAH!
HOW 'BOUT YOU, ROJI-KUN
WAIT, JUST PUT HIM DOWN FIRST


Whuff
WHOA
So
soft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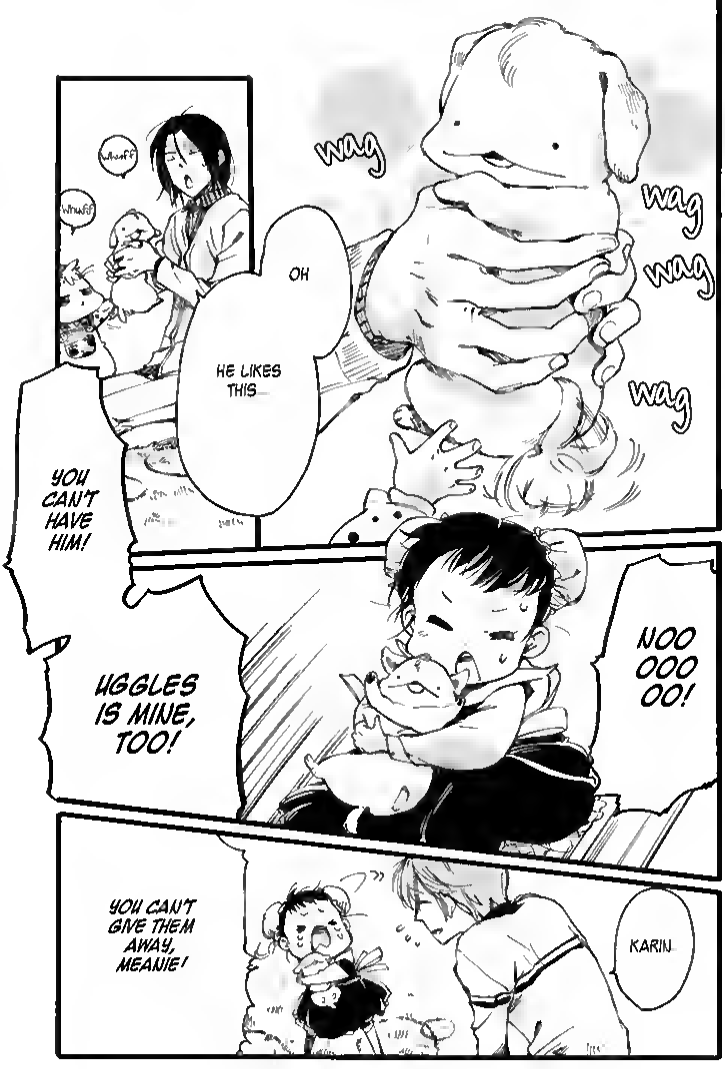
wag
wag
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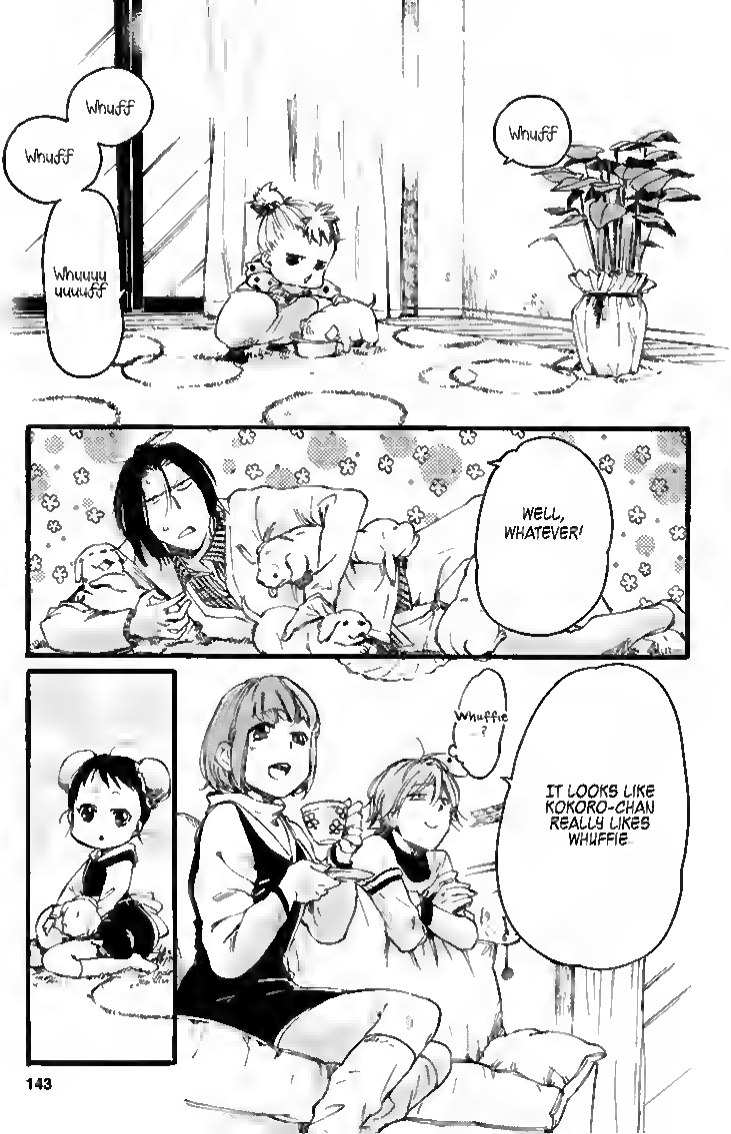
OH
HE LIKES THIS...
YOU CAN'T HAVE HIM!
UGGLES IS MINE, TOO!
NOO OOO OO!
KARIN...
YOU CAN'T GIVE THEM AWAY, MEANIE!

I'LL USE ALL MY NEW YEAR'S MONEY!
WHERE ARE YOU GONNA GET THE MONEY TO RAISE ALL THESE PUPPIES?
AND I'LL GIVE THEM MY BEDROOM
THAT WON'T BE ENOUGH...
NEXT YEAR'S, TOO! AND ALL MY ALLOWANCE!
Hmm. this is going to be difficult...
We'll be fine
They're mine

LUNCH TIME
ALL RIGHT
Ahhh
dash
chomp
Lick
chomp
GRAB

Nn
Mama
Nn
champ
champ
WHAT'RE YOU DOING!?
HEY, I'M NOT YOUR RETAINING WALL!

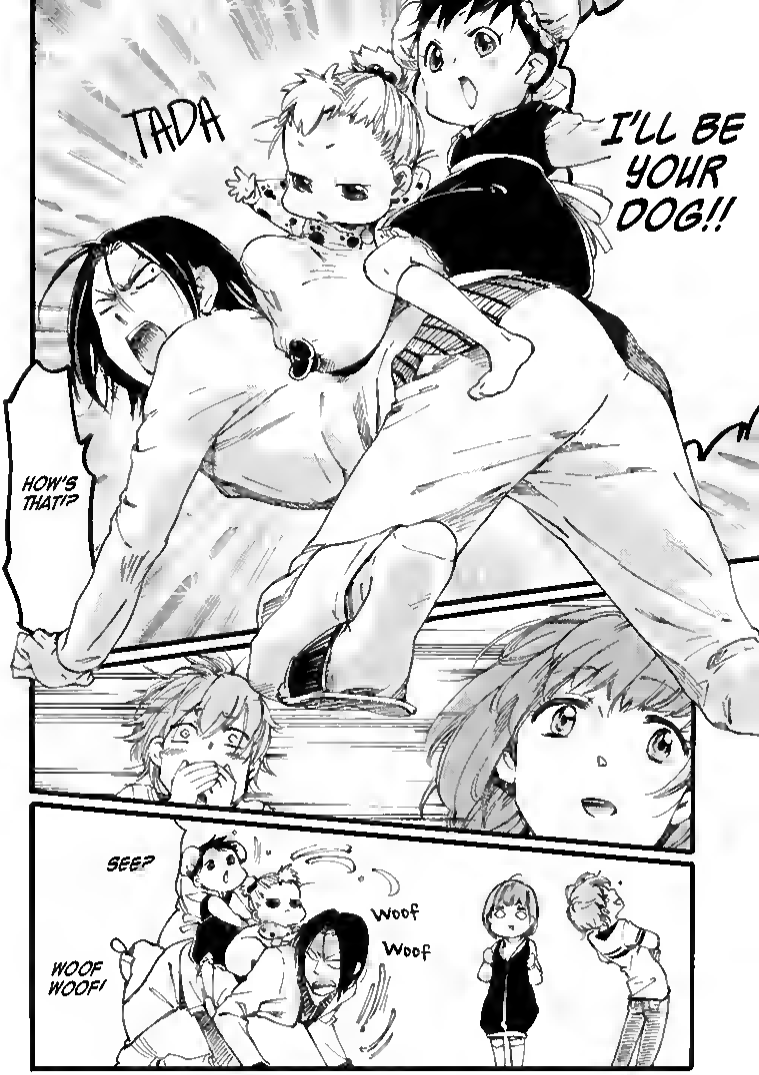

Whuff
Whuff
Whuuuuuuuff
Whuff
WELL, WHATEVER!
Whuffie?
IT LOOKS LIKE KOKORO-CHAN REALLY LIKES WHUFFIE

SEE YOU SOON
SEE YA
SORRY WE WEREN'T ANY HELP WITH KARIN!
BUT... WELL, GOOD LUCK!
Fight!!
Whoa.
KOKORO-CHAN, SAY BYE-BYE TO KARIN-CHAN AND WHUFFIE
WHUFFIE?

Whuff
Whuff
Whuff
Wiggle
Nnnnnn nnngh!
Nnnnnn nnngh!
Nnnnnn nnngh!
HEY NOW, YOUR MOM'S REALLY BUSY. NO WAY SHE CAN TAKE CARE OF A PUPPY.

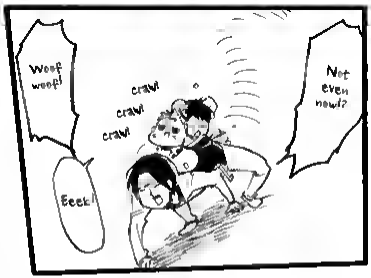
He loves you so much
TAKE GOOD CARE OF WHUFFIE, KOKORO-CHAN!
Wh-whaaat!?
YOU DON'T WANT HER TO HAVE HIM ANYWAY, RIGHT, KARIN?
IT'S OK!
NO FAIR SWITCHING SIDES LIKE THAT!
I DON'T WANT ANYONE TO HAVE HIM BUT KOKORO-CHAN!
KARIN
NO!
Nnnnn nngh!
KOKORO-CHAN
GOOD GRIEF
NO NO NO NO NO NO!

NO NO NO NO NO!
Nnnn nnnn nnnn grrrr rrrr!
Y-YOU GUYS...
Grrrrr
YOU CAN'T EVEN TAKE CARE OF YOURSELVES, HOW'RE YOU GOING TO TAKE CARE OF A DOG ?
grab
LISTEN !
IF YOU WANT A DOG SO BADLY...


TADA
I'LL BE YOUR DOG!!
HOW'S THAT!?
SEE?
Woof
Woof
WOOF WOOF!

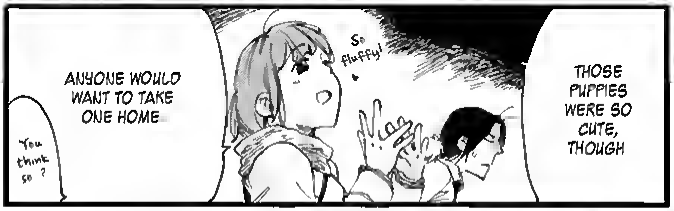
NO WAY.
YOU'RE NOT CUTE
Damn it!!

I CAN TAKE HER NOW, ROJI-KUN


Weep weep!
crawl
crawl
crawl
Not even now!?
Eeek!

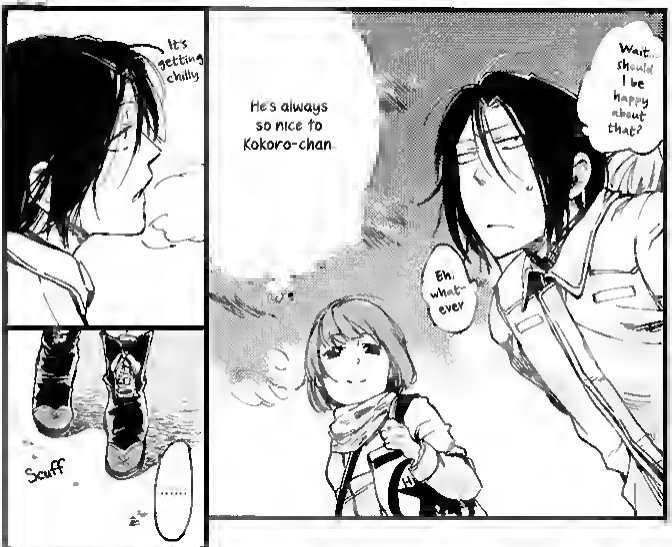
Squee
Squee

STUPID KIDS RUNNING AROUND TILL THEY RUN OUT OF BATTERIES
NO WAY! DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT! I'M FINE!
REALLY? THANKS

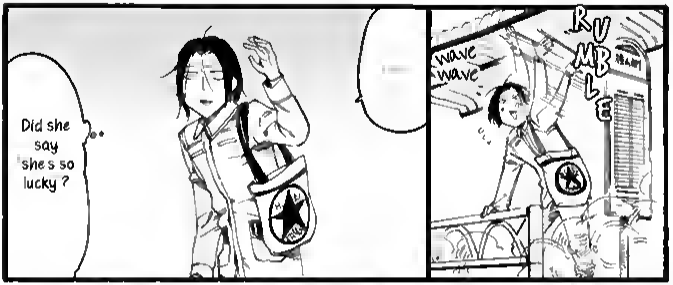

ANYONE WOULD WANT TO TAKE ONE HOME
You think so?
So fluffy!
THOSE PUPPIES WERE SO CUTE, THOUGH

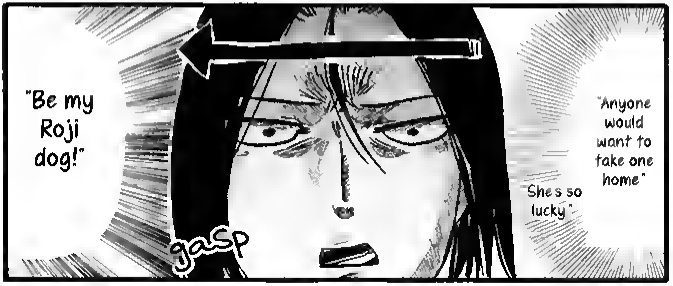
"WE'RE GOING TO KEEP THIS GUY"
Whuff!
We were always planning to keep one anyway
MASAKI SAID

SO I CAN BRING HER OVER ONCE IN A WHILE
I guess I'm not good enough for her
What? You were great
Oh yeah?
Thanks


It's getting chilly
He's always so nice to Kokoro-chan.
Wait... should I be happy about that?
Eh, whatever
Sniff
.....

...HUH?
OH!
NOTHING! DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!
OH, WE'LL TAKE THE BUS THE REST OF THE WAY
Whisper
SHE'S SO LUCKY
THANKS SO MUCH FOR TODAY
N-NO TROUBLE AT ALL...!


Did she say she's so lucky?
wave wave
RUMBLE


"Be my Roji dog!"
gasp
"Anyone would want to take one home"
"She's so lucky"

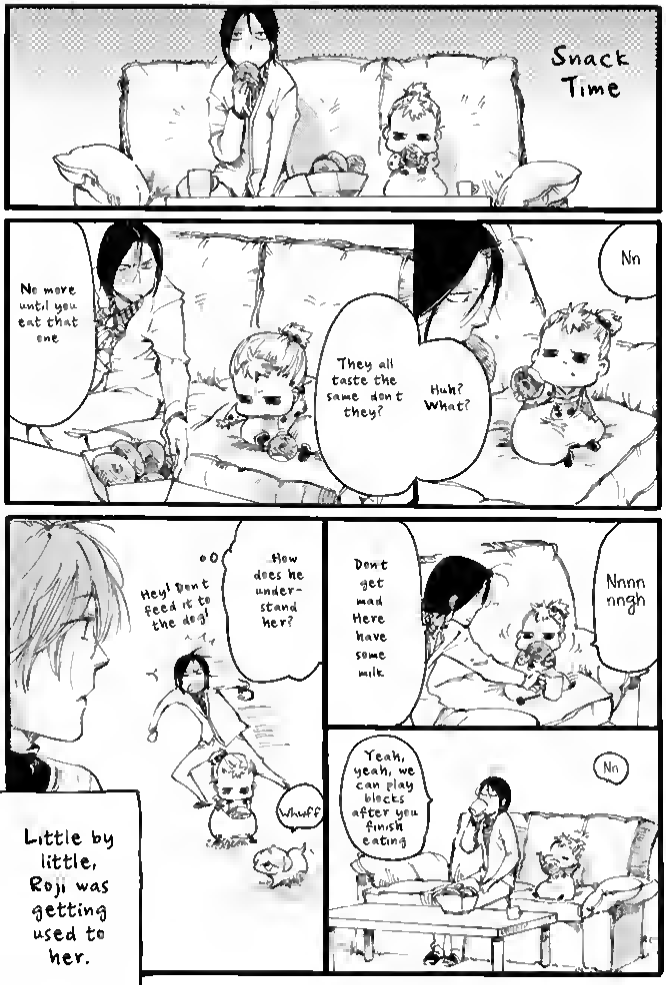
No way... Could Nana-san really want me to...!?
I'll be your dog any day!!
EEEEEEEEE!

TODAY WAS FUN.
WE'LL HAVE TO GO AGAIN SOMETIME

Sulky Kokoro

Bonus
Laze Laze
click click
PC
Rojis Day
Wake up at 1:00 PM
Spends all his time on Nicenice and 2ch
TV time
TV time
slurp slurp
Zzzzz
click click
It's already nine (PM)!!
Shit!!
gasp
Cushion marks

Then she met Roji...


Snack Time
Nn
No more until you eat that one
They all taste the same don't they?
Huh? What?
Nnnn nngh
Don't get mad Here have some milk
Nn
Yeah, yeah, we can play blocks after you finish eating
o.O
How does he understand her?
Hey! Don't feed it to the dog!
Whuff
Little by little, Roji was getting used to her.

Baby,

Kokoro no Mama ni!

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